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The outcrop of the stratum was light yellow. The concealed part of the bed was bluish. Yellow chalk left on the specimens in thin layers became white or nearly so. The yellow and blue strata are definitely related in most localities, the former being the superior, but in others they passed into each other on the same horizon.

Stated Meeting, January 5th, 1872.

Present 14 members.

JOHN C. CRESSON, Vice-President, in the chair.

Letters of acknowledgment were received from Professor LewisStrohmeyer, Dec. 8th, 1870 (81, 82, Proc. A.P.S.), Boston Public Library, Dec. 19, 1871, R. Saxon Society, Feb. 8, and July 8, 1871 (84, 85, Trans., Vol. XIV., i. ii.), Natural History Society, Bremen, Aug. 29, 1871 (83, 84, 85) Professor Friedrichs, Feb. 8, 1871 (83, 84, 85), R. Bavarian Academy, Sept. 18, 1871 (83, 84, 85, XIV., i. ii.), R. Observatory, Munich, Aug. 14, 1871 (83, 84, 85), Imperial Russian P. C. Observatory, March 13, 1871 (62, 73, 74, 78, 81, 82, Trans. Vols. I. to IX., and XIII., iii.), Bordeaux Society of Sciences, Nov. 16, 1871 (82 to 85), R. Academy, Berlin, Aug. 9, 1871 (83, 84, 85, XII. i., XIV. i. ii.), Imperial Observatory, Prag., Aug. 16, 1871 (83, 84, 85, XIV. i. ii.)

Letters of envoy were received from the Chief of U. S. Engineers, Washington, Dec. 21, 1871, and from the Imperial P. C. Observatory, St. Petersburg, Aug. 16, 1871.

Donations for the Library were announced from the publishers of the Flora Batava, and Dr. Schotel, P. C. Observatory, St. Petersburg, Academy and Observatory at Munich, Societies at Bonn and Bordeaux, Geographical Society and School of Mines at Paris, Mr. Stephenson, M. P. Newcastle-on-Tyne, London Nature, R. Astronomical Society, the Natural History Society at Bagota, S. A., the Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston Library, Old and New, Silliman's Journal,

Chief of U. S. Corps of Engineers and Colonel Williamson, the U. S. Coast Survey, Dr. Genth, Dr. Hayden, Mr. Thos. Tennant of San Francisco and Mr. Stephen Olney of Providence, R. I.

Mr. Chase for the Committee on the Paper on Knights' Tours, reported progress.

The death of Robert S. Breckinridge, a member of this Society, at Danville, Ky., on the 26th Dec., 1871, aged 71 years, was announced by the Secretary.

The death of Professor Franz Bopp at Berlin, was announced by letter.

Mr. Eli K. Price read a paper on some Phases of Modern Philosophy, the discussion following which was postponed to the next meeting.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee presented its Annual Report, and, on motion, the appropriations recommended therein for the ensuing year were passed.

Mr. Lesley was nominated Librarian for the ensuing year.

Pending nominations 679 to 688, and new nomination No. 689 were read.

The Reports of the Judges and Clerks of the Annual Election was read, and the following named persons were reported officers for the ensuing year:

President, George B. Wood.

Vice-Presidents, John C. Cresson, Isaac Lea, Frederick Fraley.

Secretaries, Charles B. Trego, E. O. Kendall, John L. Le Conte, J. P. Lesley.

Curators, Joseph Carson, Elias Durand, Hector Tyndale.

Councillors to serve three years, Daniel R. Goodwin, Eli K. Price, W. S. W. Rushenberger, Henry Winsor.

And the meeting was adjourned.